

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION MAY  
CONTAIN CONFIDENTIAL OR LEGALLY PRIVILEGED INFORMATION INTENDED  
ONLY FOR THE PERSON OR ENTITY NAMED BELOW.

If you are not the intended recipient, please do not read, use, disclose, distribute or copy this transmission.

If this transmission was received in error, please immediately notify me by telephone directly at (651) 575-1056, and we will arrange for its return at no cost to you.

Thank you.

To: Examiner X. Mei

Company: United States Patent and Trademark Office

FAX RECEIVED

Fax No. 703-308-5401

OCT 31 2003

Re: Response To Rule 196 (b) Decision From Appeal Board

(Serial No. 08/472,876)

Technology Center 2600

No. of Pages (including this page) 13

Date: October 31, 2003

From: Harold C. Knecht III

Address: P.O. Box 28338

St. Paul, MN 55128

Phone: (651) 575-1056

Examiner Mei:

As we discussed today, included with this Fax cover sheet is (1) a 10 page response to the decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences mailed June 25, 2003, which was originally faxed to the USPTO on August 25, 2003, (2) the original cover sheet that was faxed with the 10 page response, and (3) a 1 page fax transmission report indicating that these documents had been faxed successfully and on the date indicated in the response.

Best Regards,

Hal Knecht

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION MAY  
CONTAIN CONFIDENTIAL OR LEGALLY PRIVILEGED INFORMATION INTENDED  
ONLY FOR THE PERSON OR ENTITY NAMED BELOW.

If you are not the intended recipient, please do not read, use, disclose, distribute or copy this transmission.

If this transmission was received in error, please immediately notify me by telephone directly at (651) 575-1056, and we will arrange for its return at no cost to you.

Thank you.

**To:** Examiner X. Mei

**Company:** United States Patent and Trademark Office

**Fax No.** 703-872-9314

**Re: Response To Decision On Appeal mailed June 25, 2003**

(Serial No. 08/472,876)

**FAX RECEIVED**

**No. of Pages (including this page)** 11

**OCT 31 2003**

**Date:** August 25, 2003

**From:** Harold C. Knecht III

**Technology Center 2000**

**Address:** P.O. Box 28338

St. Paul, MN 55128

**Phone:** (651) 575-1056

Examiner Mei:

I am co-counsel for the subject case with the attorney of record, Robert Showalter. Included with this Fax cover sheet is a 10 page response to the decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences mailed June 25, 2003, which has a response due date of August 25, 2003.

Best Regards,

Hal Knecht

## \*\*\* TRANSMISSION REPORT \*\*\*

PRINT TIME 08/25 '03 17:07 ID:3M 220-11-01

No.	START TIME	MODE	LOCATION	STORE PAGE	TX PAGE	RX PAGE	TOTAL TIME	CODE
15	08/25 17:03	TX	*87038729314	ADF	11	0	03'25"	OK

FAX RECEIVED

OCT 31 2003

Technology Center 2600